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### ***Research Interests***

Sequence and conformation specific reactions of nucleic acids; enzyme-mediated activation of substrates and coenzymes; halogenation and dehalogenation reactions in biology; aromatic substitution and quinone methide generation in bioorganic chemistry; copper- and nickel-mediated reactions in bioinorganic chemistry, electron transfer in biopolymers.

### ***Education***

B.S. Chemistry (1979), College of Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, CA  
Ph.D. Biological Chemistry (1983), Department of Chemistry, MIT, Cambridge, MA

### ***Professional Experience and Appointments***

1979 - 83 *Doctoral student* with Prof. Christopher T. Walsh at MIT.  
1983-85 *N.I.H. post-doctoral fellow* with the late Prof. E. Thomas Kaiser at Rockeller University.  
1986-91 *Assistant Professor* of Chemistry, University at Stony Brook  
1993 *Visiting Associate Professor* of Chemistry, Johns Hopkins University  
1991-95 *Associate Professor* of Chemistry, University at Stony Brook  
1995-98 *Associate Professor* of Chemistry, University of Maryland, College Park, MD  
1998-2012 *Professor* of Chemistry, University of Maryland, College Park, MD  
2007-2012 Member, University of Maryland Greenebaum Cancer Center  
2007-2012 Member, Maryland Nanocenter  
2012- Professor, Department of Chemistry, Johns Hopkins University  
2014- Joint appointment, Department of Biology, Johns Hopkins University

### ***Teaching Experience***

Undergraduate    Organic Chemistry Laboratory; Introductory Organic Chemistry (lecture);  
Biochemistry (metabolism); Survey of Biochemistry  
Graduate        Mechanistic Organic Chemistry; Chemistry of Biological Catalysis;  
Nucleic Acid Chemistry; Enzyme Mechanisms; Literature Seminars

### ***Awards/Honors***

1979            Phi Beta Kappa, University of CA at Berkeley  
1979            Summa Cum Laude, University of CA at Berkeley  
1983            Sigma Xi, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
1983-85        NIH Postdoctoral Fellowship  
1988            Catosinos Young Investigator in Cancer Research  
1987-90        University Exploratory Research Investigator  
(sponsored by The Procter and Gamble Company)  
1994            Pfizer Lecturer, University of Michigan (Department of Med. Chem.)  
2001            Outstanding Invention (Novel Copper Complexes), Univ. of Maryland  
2002            John Albert Southern Lecturer, Furman University  
2005            Faculty Excellence in Research, College of Life Science, University of MD  
2005            Graduate Research Board (Univ. of MD) Semester Research Award  
2006            Faculty Excellence in Service, College of Life Sciences, University of MD  
2009            Honorary Fellow of the Indian Society of Chemists and Biologists  
2011            Fellow of the AAAS

**Professional Activities**

1992 (June)	Ad Hoc reviewer for Bioorganic and Natural Products Study Section (NIH)
1992 (October)	Ad Hoc reviewer for Metallobiochemistry Study Section (NIH)
1993 (June)	Ad Hoc member of Bioorganic and Natural Products Study Section (NIH)
1993 - 1997	Member, Molecular Biochemistry Advisory Panel (NSF)
1997 - 1999	Advisory Board, <i>Bioconjugate Chemistry</i>
1997 - 2001	Member, Bioorganic and Natural Products Study Section (NIH)
1998 - 1999	Vice Chair & Chair, Bioorganic Chemistry Gordon Conference
1999 - 2000	Nominating Committee, Biological Chemistry Division, ACS
2002 - 2004	Alternative Councilor, Biological Chemistry Division, ACS
2004	Ad Hoc member of Physical Biochemistry Study Section (NIH)
2007	Program Review (Site Visit), Food and Drug Administration
2007- 2012	Founder and co-organizer of a regional symposium (annual) on chemical biology
2007-	Founder and co-organizer of an international workshop of nucleic acids (biennial)
2008 - 2009	Scientific Advisory Board to the Indian Society of Chemists and Biologists
2010	Ad Hoc member of MSFE Study Section (NIH)
2011 - 2012	Vice Chair & Chair, Enzymes, Coenzymes... Pathways Gordon Conference
2011 -	International Advisory Board for the journal <i>Chemistry &amp; Biology Interface</i>
2014 - 2016	Alternative Councilor, Toxicology Division, ACS
2015 -	Editorial Board, <i>Signal Transduction and Targeted Therapy</i>

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7. Xiaoyan Ma and Steven E. Rokita\* "Role of Oxygen During Horseradish Peroxidase Turnover and Inactivation" *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* **1988**, *157*, 160 - 165.
8. Elisa M. Woolridge and Steven E. Rokita\* "Synthesis and Reactivity of 6-(Fluoromethyl)indole and 6-(Difluoromethyl)indole" *Tet. Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 6117 - 6120.
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